



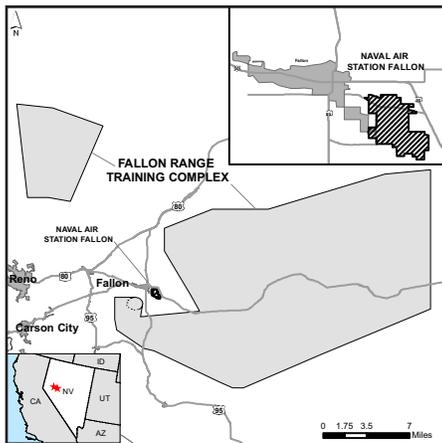
U.S. NAVY :

NAS FALLON : NEVADA

WITH FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX



Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon and the Fallon Range Training Complex (FRTC) comprise the Navy’s premier tactical air warfare training center, the only facility where an entire carrier air wing can conduct comprehensive and realistic integrated strike and air warfare battle scenarios. The climate around Fallon is highly conducive to year-round flight training, and FRTC’s target and instrumentation assets provide invaluable training opportunities for



air combat, live-bombing, Close Air Support, and search and rescue training, among other missions.

To protect the air station and the integrity of the FRTC military influence area, the Navy and its partners are acquiring conservation easements within high priority areas, such as under the airfield’s flight departure corridors. The partnership is also seeking to protect undeveloped areas along the FRTC

training corridor that currently allows for training with live weapons, areas that if developed would adversely affect the Navy’s mission.

Protecting ranchland, including state-designated historic ranches, around NAS Fallon and the FRTC supports the local economy and provides opportunities for habitat restoration and management that benefits the greater sage grouse. Additionally, in conjunction with its REPI partnership, Churchill County enacted a Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) ordinance that helps the partnership preserve agricultural land near and within NAS Fallon’s conservation buffer zone. By protecting agriculture uses as well as NAS Fallon’s viability, the TDR program helps to promote compatible economic growth and secures an irreplaceable national defense asset.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Preserves working lands for ranchers, benefiting the local economy
- Maintains community’s local character
- Preserves habitat for rare and notable species

MILITARY

- Preserves live-fire training capacity
- Ensures the ability to conduct training or testing activities that generate noise
- Enhances operational safety and installation security, and addresses future safety concerns



Helicopter training on desert terrain (top). Desert scrub brush provides partial camouflage for ground training efforts (bottom).

KEY PARTNERS

- Bureau of Land Management
- Churchill County
- Lahontan Valley Land and Water Alliance
- Nevada Conservation Districts Program
- Nevada Department of Wildlife
- Nevada Land Conservancy
- Nevada Land Trust
- The Nature Conservancy
- U.S. Department of Agriculture–Natural Resources Conservation Service

FAST FACTS THROUGH 30 SEP 2015

- » Acres preserved: **5,462**
- » Transactions conducted: **55**
- » Total funds expended: **\$16.4 million**
- » Project status: **In Progress**

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